Order

Michigan Supreme Court Lansing, Michigan

June 8, 2007

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Clifford W. Taylor, Chief Justice

Michael F. Cavanagh Elizabeth A. Weaver Marilyn Kelly Maura D. Corrigan Robert P. Young, Jr. Stephen J. Markman, Justices

HARTMAN & EICHHORN BUILDING COMPANY, INC.,
Plaintiff/Counter Defendant,

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SC: 129733 COA: 249847

Oakland CC: 2001-032203-CK

STEVEN DAILEY and JANINE DAILEY, Defendants/Counter Plaintiffs/ Third-Party Plaintiffs/Appellees,

and

GEORGE H. PRESLEY, and ABN-AMRO, d/b/a STANDARD FEDERAL BANK, Defendants.

and

JEFFRY R. HARTMAN, Third-Party Defendant-Appellant.

By order of May 4, 2006, we GRANTED the defendant's application for leave to appeal, limited to the questions involving the Michigan Consumer Protection Act's application to residential builders. We now VACATE the opinion of the Court of Appeals to the extent it is inconsistent with *Liss v Lewiston-Richards, Inc*, ____ Mich ___ (Docket No. 130064, decided June 6, 2007). However, because the defendant seeks to rely on the affirmative defense provided in MCL 445.904(1)(a), and the defendant failed to raise the affirmative defense of the Michigan Consumer Protection Act exemption of regulated activities in his first responsive pleading, that defense is not properly before this Court. We REMAND this case to the Oakland Circuit Court for further proceedings consistent with this order and *Liss*.



I, Corbin R. Davis, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

June 8, 2007

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